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FROM US REP ICAO

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: ICAO - FINANCE COMMITTEE - TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT
ASSESSMENT CEILINGS

1. FINANCE COMMITTEE MAY 31 HAD "EXCHANGE VIEWS" ON FOUR
NEGATIVE, CONTROVERSIAL JAPAN FORMULAE FOR USING PRC ASSESSMENT
TO REDUCE MAXIMUM ASSESSMENT (A19-3). DECIDED LEAVE MATTER
TO SECGEN WHICH MEANS SECRETARIAT PROPOSAL PREVAILS AND ASSEMBLY
WORKING PAPERS WILL INCLUDE US AT 25 PERCENT.

2. EXCELLENT PRESENTATIONS BY ICAO FINANCE DIRECTOR (U.S.)
AND SECGEN. PRES/COUNCIL INTRAVENED BRILLIANTLY TO PRECLUDE
VOTE ON PREFERENCES AS REQUESTED BY JAPAN.

3. HELPFUL INTERVENTIONS FROM A) NIGERIA WHO SAID CHINA
QUESTION TOO COMPLICATED, BEYOND COMMITTEE'S COMPETENCE,
AND HE WOULD ABSTAIN IF VOTE TAKEN; B) GERMANY WHO SAID BEYOND
COMPETENCE FINANCE COMMITTEE; C) ARGENTINA WHO SAID ASSESSMENTS WERE
RESPONSIBILITY OF SECGEN; D) AUSTRALIA WHO ASKED FOR USEFUL
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CLARIFICATIONS: E) BRAZIL AGREED WITH PREVIOUS SPEAKERS;

F) UK WHO DECIDED NOT TO INTERVENE CONTESTING FULL AUTHORITY OF SECGEN; TO RECOMMEND ASSESSMENTS TO ASSEMBLY; G) USSR DID NOT INTERVENE.

4. US INTERVENTION INTERPRETED A19-3 AS ASSEMBLY-TO-ASSEMBLY COMPARISON (ENDORING SECRETARIAT FORMULA), QUOTED PARA 35 OF ASSEMBLY PROCEEDINGS RE "NEW STATES" PORTION AS INTENT ALSO RE "INCREASE" PERCENTAGES PORTION. CALLED ON JAPAN TO VIEW COMMITTEE'S DELIBERATIONS AS "EXCHANGE OF VIEWS" FOR GUIDANCE SECGEN.

5. FYI. AFTER MEETING PRES/COUNCIL TALKED WITH JAPAN AT LENGTH. THEN ASKED US REP CONFIDENTIALLY TO "TAKE STEPS TO SEE THAT JAPAN DOESN'T PURSUE THIS IN ASSEMBLY." U.S. REP WILL FOLLOW UP WITH JAPAN AND REPORT.
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